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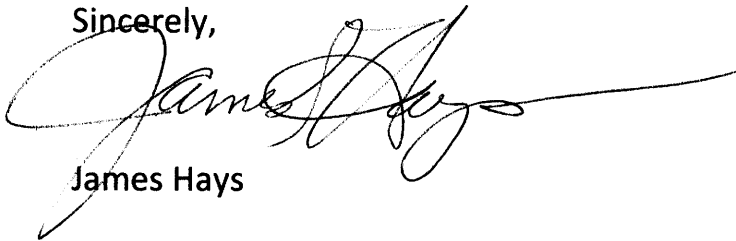
Case Number: AF 09-0688

Re: Professional Rules of Conduct, Rule 8.4(g)

Honorable Members of the Court

I am writing in regards to your consideration of the above referenced rule change. Please do not start us down this slippery slope. This attempt by one group to silence the opposition is not new. All the way back in the founding of this country with the Alien and Sedition Acts, one group attempted to legally silence the opposition. And here we go again, one group trying to use the government to silence anyone that they perceive as opposing their political and religious viewpoints and demands. If this is allowed to proceed, then where do we stop with the government silencing the opposition, or an interest group using the government to do so? The attempts have been declared unconstitutional before, please do so again.

Sincerely,



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